

EMD 545b Lecture 4
Regulatory Standards and Guidelines
In Class Exercise

With the exception of regulations related to the import or export of infectious agents and Bioterrorism and Biosecurity, there is only one U.S. standard that mandates safe working practices for potentially infectious and infectious material (OSHA 1910.1030 – the Bloodborne Pathogens Standard). However, this regulation primarily focuses on the three major bloodborne pathogens, HIV, Hepatitis B virus, and Hepatitis C virus. OSHA has recently started working with relevant biosafety organizations to review the feasibility of developing and “Infectious Agent” Standard.

Your task in this exercise is to develop an outline for a proposed “Infectious Agent” Standard to help OSHA get off to an excellent start in the development phase of this idea for a regulation. Please list as many components, aspects, and proposed requirements for the draft regulation that you wish to share with OSHA.